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PASS TREASURY DEPT. FOR TOM BURKE

E.O. 11652: ADS, DECLAS. 1/30/77

TAGS: EAID, EFIN, PK

SUBJECT: QASIM PORT (NEW KARACHI PORT)

REF: BURKE/PAPP TELECON.

1. USADB DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED PROJECT WITH BANK STAFF DISCLOSES BASIC RATIONALE FOR NEW PORT IS TO PROVIDE FACILITIES FOR LANDING LARGE QUANTITIES IRON ORE AND COAL NEEDED TO SUPPLY SOVIET-FINANCED STEEL MILL; OTHER PORT COMPONENTS CONTEMPLATED INCLUDE BULK CARGO HANDLING AND -- AT A LATER STAGE -- POL FACILITIES.

2. ON BAIS BANK'S PRE-APPRAISAL MISSION, ADB MAY BE REQUESTED AND IS CONSIDERING FINANCING FROM FOUR TO SEVEN BULK CARGO HANDLING WHARVES PLUS GENERAL DREDGING REQUIRED FOR ENTIRE PORT COMPLEX.

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3. HOWEVER, TENTATIVE FOREX PRICE TAG THOSE COMPONENTS

IS IN US\$67 MILLION RANGE, AN AMOUNT GREATER THAN
ADB CONSIDERS SUITABLE PORTION OF PROJECT FOR IT
TO FINANCE.

4. FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ARE EXPECTED TO BE HELD
WITH PAKISTAN AUTHORITIES TO ARRIVE AT MUTUALLY
AGREEABLE LEVEL OF ADB PARTICIPATION IN QASIM PORT
PROJECT.

5. IN ANY EVENT, ADB WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE INVOLVED
IN FINANCING OF ANY POL HANDLING FACILITIES. THESE
WOULD ONLY BE CONSTRUCTED AS POSSIBLE LATER THIRD
PHASE OF QASIM PORT, AND THEN NOT BEFORE COMPLETION
OF PROPOSED POL TANK FARM WHEN POL THROUGHPUT REQUIRE-
MENTS BECAME KNOWN.

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